

all post-cloture time expire at 2:30 p.m., on Wednesday, July 21, 2021. **Pages S4987–88**

**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 56 yeas 44 nays (Vote No. EX. 270), Kenneth Allen Polite, Jr., of Louisiana, to be an Assistant Attorney General. **Pages S4955–61**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 57 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 268), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S4961**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Andrew Philip Hunter, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Laurie E. Locascio, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology.

Caryn R. McClelland, of California, to be Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam.

Michael J. Murphy, of New York, to be Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Howard A. Van Vranken, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana.

James D. Rodriguez, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training. **Page S4989**

**Nominations Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Michael A. Brown, of California, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, which was sent to the Senate on April 12, 2021.

Javier M. Guzman, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Attorney General, which was sent to the Senate on April 28, 2021. **Page S4989**

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**Record Votes:** Five record votes were taken today. (Total—272) **Pages S4961, S4974**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:15 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 21, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4987–88.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2022.

### AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Personnel approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2022.

### AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Airland met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2022.

### AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2022.

### AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Seapower met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2022.

### 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITIES

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine 21st century communities, focusing on climate change, resilience, and reinsurance, after receiving testimony from Abdollah Shafieezadeh, The Ohio State University, Columbus; Rachel Cleetus, Union of Concerned Scientists, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Franklin W. Nutter, Reinsurance Association of America, and Jerry Theodorou, R Street Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; and Roger Pielke, Jr., University of Colorado, Boulder.

**FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING**

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development concluded a hearing to examine preserving and improving Federally assisted housing, including S. 265, to establish a grant program to provide amounts to public housing agencies to install automatic sprinkler systems in public housing, and S. 2092, to permanently authorize the Native Community Development Financial Institutions lending program of the Department of Agriculture, after receiving testimony from Dave Jacobs, National Center for Healthy Housing, Columbia, Maryland; Jennifer Keogh, Minneapolis Public Housing Authority, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and Sharon Vogel, Cheyenne River Housing Authority, Eagle Butte, South Dakota.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Karen Erika Donfried, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary (European Affairs and Eurasian Affairs), Mary Catherine Phee, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary (African Affairs), and to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation, and Anne A. Witkowsky, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary (Conflict and Stabilization Operations), and to be Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization, all of the Department of State, and Paloma Adams-Allen, of the District of Columbia, to be a Deputy Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

**MODERNIZING THE STATE DEPARTMENT**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on State Department and USAID Management, International Operations, and Bilateral International Development concluded a hearing to examine modernizing the State Department for the 21st century, after receiving testimony from Stephen E. Biegun, former Deputy Secretary of State, Marcie Ries, former United States Ambassador to the Republic of Bulgaria and the Republic of Albania, and Annie-Marie Slaughter, New America, all of Washington, D.C.

**COVID-19 RESPONSE: A FEDERAL PERSPECTIVE**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine a Federal perspective on the COVID-19 response, focusing on the path forward, after receiving testimony from Rochelle P. Walensky, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Anthony S. Fauci, Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health, Janet Woodcock, Acting Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Food and Drug Administration, and Dawn O'Connell, Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, all of the Department of Health and Human Services.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Stacey A. Dixon, of the District of Columbia, to be Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence, Matthew G. Olsen, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, and Thomas Andrew Monheim, of Virginia, to be Inspector General of the Intelligence Community, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

**DRUG OVERDOSE EPIDEMIC**

*United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control:* Caucus concluded a hearing to examine the Federal response to the drug overdose epidemic, after receiving testimony from Regina LaBelle, Acting Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Tom Coderre, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and Nora Volkow, Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Nicole Alexander-Scott, Rhode Island Department of Health, Providence; Keith Humphreys, Stanford University, Stanford, California; and Steve Gurdak, Washington/Baltimore High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Program, Annapandale, Virginia.